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SUBJECT: REDUCTION IN US MEDT CAMBODIA

REF: STATE 17885

1. DOD PROPOSAL FOR REDUCTION MEDT (REFTEL) HAS NOT
RPT NOT BEEN STAFFED WITH US.

2. POLICY HERE IS TO REDUCE US MILITARY PRESENCE IN
BANGKOK AREA AND TO SCREEN VERY CLOSELY ANY INCREASES
IN PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATIONS OF EXISTING UNITS OR
ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW UNITS. MEDT CURRENTLY HAS 15
PERSONNEL IN THAILAND OF WHOM 5 IN BANGKOK AND 10 AT
SAMAEE SAN. ONE OF THOSE IN BANGKOK WILL BE LEAVING
SHORTLY AND WILL NOT BE REPLACED. ADDITIONAL TWO PER-
SONNEL PROPOSED BY DOD WILL BE LOCATED IN BANGKOK.
WHILE THIS IS INCONSISTENT WITH OUT BANGKOK AREA
REDUCTION POLICY, WE COULD LIVE WITH SO SMALL AN
INCREASE IF IT IS REALLY NECESSARY.

3. BEFORE FINAL APPROVAL IS GIVEN HOWEVER, WE
HOPE PROPOSAL WILL BE EXAMINED WITH SPECIFIC
REFERENCE TO TWO POINTS: A) COULD FUNCTIONS OF
TWO ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL BE ABSORBED BY EXISTING
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MEDT PERSONNEL NOW IN THAILAND; B) IF NOT, COULD

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL FUNCTION REASONABLY EFFECTIVELY
AT SAMAEC SAN INSTEAD OF BANGKOK?
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